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AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF TERMS AND MINOR REVISIONS IN THE ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITY STATUTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 16-1 of the 2012 supplement to
- 2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 4 [(a) Terms used in this title and in chapters 244, 244a, 244b, 245, 245a
- 5 and 245b shall be construed as follows, unless another meaning is
- 6 expressed or is clearly apparent from the language or context:
- 7 (1) "Authority" means the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and
- 8 "department" means the Department of Energy and Environmental
- 9 Protection;
- 10 (2) "Director" means a member of said authority;
- 11 (3) "Commissioner of Transportation" means the Commissioner of
- 12 Transportation appointed under section 13b-3;
- 13 (4) "Public service company" includes electric, electric distribution,
- 14 gas, telephone, telegraph, pipeline, sewage, water and community
- 15 antenna television companies and holders of a certificate of cable
- 16 franchise authority, owning, leasing, maintaining, operating,

- managing or controlling plants or parts of plants or equipment, and all express companies having special privileges on railroads within this state, but shall not include telegraph company functions concerning intrastate money order service, towns, cities, boroughs, any municipal corporation or department thereof, whether separately incorporated or not, a private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b, or an exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a;
 - (5) "Plant" includes all real estate, buildings, tracks, pipes, mains, poles, wires and other fixed or stationary construction and equipment, wherever located, used in the conduct of the business of the company;
 - (6) "Railroad company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any railroad, or any cars or other equipment employed thereon or in connection therewith, for public or general use within this state;
 - (7) "Street railway company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any street railway, or any cars or other equipment employed thereon or in connection therewith, for public or general use within this state;
 - (8) "Electric company" includes, until an electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the provisions of section 16-244e, every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling poles, wires, conduits or other fixtures, along public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of electric current for sale for light, heat or power within this state, or engaged in generating electricity to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include (A) a private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b, (B) an exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a, (C) a municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, (D) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 597, or (F) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local

49 government under any general statute or any public or special act;

- (9) "Gas company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other fixtures, in public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of gas for sale for heat or power within this state, or engaged in the manufacture of gas to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include a person manufacturing gas through the use of a biomass gasification plant provided such person does not own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control mains, pipes or other fixtures in public highways or streets, a municipal gas utility established under chapter 101 or any other gas utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act;
- (10) "Water company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any pond, lake, reservoir, stream, well or distributing plant or system employed for the purpose of supplying water to fifty or more consumers. A water company does not include homeowners, condominium associations providing water only to their members, homeowners associations providing water to customers at least eighty per cent of whom are members of such associations, a municipal waterworks system established under chapter 102, a district, metropolitan district, municipal district or special services district established under chapter 105, chapter 105a or any other general statute or any public or special act which is authorized to supply water, or any other waterworks system owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act;
- (11) "Consumer" means any private dwelling, boardinghouse, apartment, store, office building, institution, mechanical or manufacturing establishment or other place of business or industry to which water is supplied by a water company;

- 81 (12) "Sewage company" includes every person owning, leasing, 82 maintaining, operating, managing or controlling, for general use in any 83 town, city or borough, or portion thereof, in this state, sewage disposal 84 facilities which discharge treated effluent into any waterway of this 85 state;
 - (13) "Pipeline company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other fixtures through, over, across or under any public land, water, parkways, highways, parks or public grounds for the transportation, transmission or distribution of petroleum products for hire within this state;
 - (14) "Community antenna television company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling a community antenna television system, in, under or over any public street or highway, for the purpose of providing community antenna television service for hire and shall include any municipality which owns or operates one or more plants for the manufacture or distribution of electricity pursuant to section 7-213 or any special act and seeks to obtain or obtains a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct or operate a community antenna television system pursuant to section 16-331 or a certificate of cable franchise authority pursuant to section 16-331q. "Community antenna television company" does not include a certified competitive video service provider;
 - (15) "Community antenna television service" means (A) the one-way transmission to subscribers of video programming or information that a community antenna television company makes available to all subscribers generally, and subscriber interaction, if any, which is required for the selection of such video programming or information, and (B) noncable communications service. "Community antenna television service" does not include video service provided by a certified competitive video service provider;

- 113 (16) "Community antenna television system" means a facility, 114 consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal 115 generation, reception and control equipment that is designed to provide community antenna television service which includes video 116 117 programming and which is provided in, under or over any public 118 street or highway, for hire, to multiple subscribers within a franchise, 119 but such term does not include (A) a facility that serves only to 120 retransmit the television signals of one or more television broadcast 121 stations; (B) a facility that serves only subscribers in one or more 122 multiple unit dwellings under common ownership, control or 123 management, unless such facility is located in, under or over a public 124 street or highway; (C) a facility of a common carrier which is subject, in 125 whole or in part, to the provisions of Subchapter II of Chapter 5 of the 126 Communications Act of 1934, 47 USC 201 et seq., as amended, except 127 that such facility shall be considered a community antenna television 128 system and the carrier shall be considered a public service company to 129 the extent such facility is used in the transmission of video 130 programming directly to subscribers; or (D) a facility of an electric 131 company which is used solely for operating its electric company 132 systems. "Community antenna television system" does not include a 133 facility used by a certified competitive video service provider to 134 provide video service;
- 135 (17) "Video programming" means programming provided by, or 136 generally considered comparable to programming provided by, a 137 television broadcast station;
- 138 (18)"Noncable communications service" means any telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, and which is 139 not included in the definition of "cable service" in the Communications 140 141 Act of 1934, 47 USC 522, as amended. Nothing in this definition shall 142 be construed to affect service which is both authorized and preempted 143 pursuant to federal law;
- 144 (19) "Public service motor vehicle" includes all motor vehicles used 145 for the transportation of passengers for hire;

- 146 (20) "Motor bus" includes any public service motor vehicle operated 147 in whole or in part upon any street or highway, by indiscriminately 148 receiving or discharging passengers, or operated on a regular route or 149 over any portion thereof, or operated between fixed termini, and any 150 public service motor vehicle operated over highways within this state 151 between points outside this state or between points within this state 152 and points outside this state;
 - (21) "Cogeneration technology" means the use for the generation of electricity of exhaust steam, waste steam, heat or resultant energy from an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, or the use of exhaust steam, waste steam or heat from a thermal power plant for an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, but shall not include steam or heat developed solely for electrical power generation;
- 160 (22) "Renewable fuel resources" means energy sources described in 161 subdivisions (26) and (27) of this subsection;
 - (23) "Telephone company" means a telecommunications company that provides one or more noncompetitive or emerging competitive services, as defined in section 16-247a;
 - (24) "Domestic telephone company" includes any telephone company which has been chartered by or organized or constituted within or under the laws of this state;
 - (25) "Telecommunications company" means a person that provides telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, within the state, but shall not mean a person that provides only (A) private telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, (B) the one-way transmission of video programming or other programming services to subscribers, (C) subscriber interaction, if any, which is required for the selection of such video programming or other programming services, (D) the two-way transmission of educational or instructional programming to a public or private elementary or secondary school, or a public or independent institution of higher

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- education, as required by the department pursuant to a community antenna television company franchise agreement, or provided pursuant to a contract with such a school or institution which contract has been filed with the department, or (E) a combination of the services set forth in subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision;
- (26) "Class I renewable energy source" means (A) energy derived 183 184 from solar power, wind power, a fuel cell, methane gas from landfills, 185 ocean thermal power, wave or tidal power, low emission advanced 186 renewable energy conversion technologies, a run-of-the-river 187 hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of 188 not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in 189 the river flow, and began operation after July 1, 2003, or a sustainable 190 biomass facility with an average emission rate of equal to or less than 191 .075 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of heat input for the 192 previous calendar quarter, except that energy derived from a 193 sustainable biomass facility with a capacity of less than five hundred 194 kilowatts that began construction before July 1, 2003, may be 195 considered a Class I renewable energy source, or (B) any electrical 196 generation, including distributed generation, generated from a Class I 197 renewable energy source;
 - (27) "Class II renewable energy source" means energy derived from a trash-to-energy facility, a biomass facility that began operation before July 1, 1998, provided the average emission rate for such facility is equal to or less than .2 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of heat input for the previous calendar quarter, or a run-of-the-river hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in the riverflow, and began operation prior to July 1, 2003;
 - (28) "Electric distribution services" means the owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling of poles, wires, conduits or other fixtures along public highways or streets for the distribution of electricity, or electric distribution-related services;

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- (29) "Electric distribution company" or "distribution company" means any person providing electric transmission or distribution services within the state, including an electric company, subject to subparagraph (F) of this subdivision, but does not include: (A) A private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b; (B) a municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a participating municipal electric utility; (C) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a; (D) an electric cooperative established under chapter 597; (E) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or special act; (F) after an electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the provisions of section 16-244e, a generation entity or affiliate of the former electric company; or (G) an electric supplier;
- (30) "Electric supplier" means any person, including an electric aggregator or participating municipal electric utility that is licensed by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority in accordance with section 16-245, that provides electric generation services to end use customers in the state using the transmission or distribution facilities of an electric distribution company, regardless of whether or not such person takes title to such generation services, but does not include: (A) A municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a participating municipal electric utility; (B) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a; (C) an electric cooperative established under chapter 597; (D) any other electric utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or special act; or (E) an electric distribution company in its provision of electric generation services in accordance with subsection (a) or, prior to January 1, 2004, subsection (c) of section 16-244c;
- (31) "Electric aggregator" means (A) a person, municipality or regional water authority that gathers together electric customers for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric supplier, or (B) the Connecticut Resources Recovery

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- Authority, if it gathers together electric customers for the purpose of
- 245 negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric
- supplier, provided such person, municipality or authority is not
- 247 engaged in the purchase or resale of electric generation services, and
- 248 provided further such customers contract for electric generation
- services directly with an electric supplier, and may include an electric
- 250 cooperative established pursuant to chapter 597;
- 251 (32) "Electric generation services" means electric energy, electric
- 252 capacity or generation-related services;
- 253 (33) "Electric transmission services" means electric transmission or
- 254 transmission-related services;
- 255 (34) "Generation entity or affiliate" means a corporate affiliate or, as
- 256 provided in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 16-244e, a
- separate division of an electric company after unbundling has occurred
- 258 pursuant to section 16-244e, that provides electric generation services;
- 259 (35) "Participating municipal electric utility" means a municipal
- 260 electric utility established under chapter 101 or any other electric
- 261 utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by
- any unit of local government under any general statute or any public
- or special act, that is authorized by the authority in accordance with
- 264 section 16-245c to provide electric generation services to end use
- 265 customers outside its service area, as defined in section 16-245c;
- 266 (36) "Person" means an individual, business, firm, corporation,
- 267 association, joint stock association, trust, partnership or limited
- 268 liability company;
- 269 (37) "Regional independent system operator" means the "ISO New
- 270 England, Inc.", or its successor organization as approved by the
- 271 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission;
- 272 (38) "Certified telecommunications provider" means a person
- 273 certified by the authority to provide intrastate telecommunications

- 274 services, as defined in section 16-247a, pursuant to sections 16-247f to 275 16-247h, inclusive;
- 276 (39) "Gas registrant" means a person registered to sell natural gas 277 pursuant to section 16-258a;
- 278 (40) "Customer-side distributed resources" means (A) the generation 279 of electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five 280 megawatts on the premises of a retail end user within the transmission and distribution system including, but not limited to, fuel cells, 282 photovoltaic systems or small wind turbines, or (B) a reduction in the 283 demand for electricity on the premises of a retail end user in the 284 distribution system through methods of conservation and load 285 management, including, but not limited to, peak reduction systems 286 and demand response systems;
- (41) "Federally mandated congestion charges" means any cost 287 288 approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as part of 289 New England Standard Market Design including, but not limited to, 290 locational marginal pricing, locational installed capacity payments, any 291 cost approved by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to reduce 292 federally mandated congestion charges in accordance with section 7-293 233y, this section, sections 16-19ss, 16-32f, 16-50i, 16-50k, 16-50x, 16-294 243i to 16-243q, inclusive, 16-244c, 16-244e, 16-245m, 16-245n and 16-295 245z, and section 21 of public act 05-1 of the June special session and 296 reliability must run contracts;
 - (42) "Combined heat and power system" means a system that produces, from a single source, both electric power and thermal energy used in any process that results in an aggregate reduction in electricity use;
 - (43) "Grid-side distributed resources" means the generation of electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five megawatts that is connected to the transmission or distribution system, which units may include, but are not limited to, units used primarily to generate electricity to meet peak demand;

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(44) "Class III source" means the electricity output from combined heat and power systems with an operating efficiency level of no less than fifty per cent that are part of customer-side distributed resources developed at commercial and industrial facilities in this state on or after January 1, 2006, a waste heat recovery system installed on or after April 1, 2007, that produces electrical or thermal energy by capturing preexisting waste heat or pressure from industrial or commercial processes, or the electricity savings created in this state from conservation and load management programs begun on or after January 1, 2006;

(45) "Sustainable biomass" means biomass that is cultivated and harvested in a sustainable manner. "Sustainable biomass" does not mean construction and demolition waste, as defined in section 22a-208x, finished biomass products from sawmills, paper mills or stud mills, organic refuse fuel derived separately from municipal solid waste, or biomass from old growth timber stands, except where (A) such biomass is used in a biomass gasification plant that received funding prior to May 1, 2006, from the Clean Energy Fund established pursuant to section 16-245n, or (B) the energy derived from such biomass is subject to a long-term power purchase contract pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 16-244c entered into prior to May 1, 2006, (C) such biomass is used in a renewable energy facility that is certified as a Class I renewable energy source by the authority until such time as the authority certifies that any biomass gasification plant, as defined in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, is operational and accepting such biomass, in an amount not to exceed one hundred forty thousand tons annually, is used in a renewable energy facility that was certified as a Class I renewable energy source by the authority prior to December 31, 2007, and uses biomass, including construction and demolition waste as defined in section 22a-208x, from a Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-reduction facility that generated biomass during calendar year 2007 that was used during calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable energy certificates, or (D) in the event there is no facility as described in

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subparagraph (A) or (C) of this subdivision accepting such biomass, in an amount not to exceed one hundred forty thousand tons annually, is used in one or more other renewable energy facilities certified either as a Class I or Class II renewable energy source by the authority, provided such facilities use biomass, including construction and demolition waste as defined in said section 22a-208x, from a Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-reduction facility that generated biomass during calendar year 2007 that was used during calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable energy certificates. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of this subdivision, the amount of biomass specified in said subparagraphs shall not apply to a biomass gasification plant, as defined in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

- (46) "Video service" means video programming services provided through wireline facilities, a portion of which are located in the public right-of-way, without regard to delivery technology, including Internet protocol technology. "Video service" does not include any video programming provided by a commercial mobile service provider, as defined in 47 USC 332(d), any video programming provided as part of community antenna television service in a franchise area as of October 1, 2007, any video programming provided as part of and via a service that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail or other services over the public Internet;
- (47) "Certified competitive video service provider" means an entity providing video service pursuant to a certificate of video franchise authority issued by the authority in accordance with section 16-331e. "Certified competitive video service provider" does not mean an entity issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity in accordance with section 16-331 or the affiliates, successors and assigns of such entity or an entity issued a certificate of cable franchise authority in accordance with section 16-331p or the affiliates, successors and assignees of such entity;
- (48) "Certificate of video franchise authority" means an

- authorization issued by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority conferring the right to an entity or person to own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control facilities in, under or over any public highway to offer video service to any subscribers in the state;
- 377 (49) "Certificate of cable franchise authority" means an authorization 378 issued by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority pursuant to section 379 16-331q conferring the right to a community antenna television 380 company to own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control a 381 community antenna television system in, under or over any public 382 highway to (A) offer community antenna television service in a 383 community antenna television company's designated franchise area, or 384 (B) use the public rights-of-way to offer video service in a designated 385 franchise area. The certificate of cable franchise authority shall be 386 issued as an alternative to a certificate of public convenience and 387 necessity pursuant to section 16-331 and shall only be available to a 388 community antenna television company under the terms specified in 389 sections 16-331q to 16-331aa, inclusive;
 - (50) "Thermal energy transportation company" means any person authorized under any provision of the general statutes or special act to furnish heat or air conditioning or both, by means of steam, heated or chilled water or other medium, to lay and maintain mains, pipes or other conduits, and to erect such other fixtures necessary or convenient in and on the streets, highways and public grounds of any municipality to carry steam, heated or chilled water or other medium from such plant to the location to be served and to return the same;
- 398 (51) "The Connecticut Television Network" means the General 399 Assembly's state-wide twenty-four-hour state public affairs 400 programming service, separate and distinct from community access 401 channels; and
- 402 (52) "Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection" 403 means the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection 404 appointed pursuant to title 4.]

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- 405 (a) Terms used in this title and in chapters 244, 244a, 244b, 245, 245a 406 and 245b shall be construed as follows, unless another meaning is 407 expressed or is clearly apparent from the language or context:
 - (1) "Authority" means the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority;
- 409 (2) "Certificate of cable franchise authority" means an authorization 410 issued by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority pursuant to section 411 16-331g conferring the right to a community antenna television 412 company to own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control a 413 community antenna television system in, under or over any public highway to (A) offer community antenna television service in a 414 415 community antenna television company's designated franchise area, or 416 (B) use the public rights-of-way to offer video service in a designated 417 franchise area. The certificate of cable franchise authority shall be 418 issued as an alternative to a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to section 16-331 and shall only be available to a 419 420 community antenna television company under the terms specified in 421 sections 16-331q to 16-331aa, inclusive;
 - (3) "Certificate of video franchise authority" means an authorization issued by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority conferring the right to an entity or person to own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control facilities in, under or over any public highway to offer video service to any subscribers in the state;
 - (4) "Certified competitive video service provider" means an entity providing video service pursuant to a certificate of video franchise authority issued by the authority in accordance with section 16-331e. "Certified competitive video service provider" does not mean an entity issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity in accordance with section 16-331 or the affiliates, successors and assigns of such entity or an entity issued a certificate of cable franchise authority in accordance with section 16-331p or the affiliates, successors and assignees of such entity;
- 436 (5) "Certified telecommunications provider" means a person

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- 437 <u>certified by the authority to provide intrastate telecommunications</u>
- 438 services, as defined in section 16-247a, pursuant to sections 16-247f to
- 439 16-247h, inclusive;
- 440 (6) "Class I renewable energy source" means (A) energy derived
- from solar power, wind power, a fuel cell, methane gas from landfills,
- ocean thermal power, wave or tidal power, low emission advanced
- 443 renewable energy conversion technologies, a run-of-the-river
- 444 hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of
- 445 <u>not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in</u>
- 446 the river flow, and began operation after July 1, 2003, or a sustainable
- biomass facility with an average emission rate of equal to or less than
- 448 .075 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of heat input for the
- 449 previous calendar quarter, except that energy derived from a
- 450 <u>sustainable biomass facility with a capacity of less than five hundred</u>
- 451 kilowatts that began construction before July 1, 2003, may be
- 452 considered a Class I renewable energy source, or (B) any electrical
- 453 generation, including distributed generation, generated from a Class I
- 454 renewable energy source;
- 455 (7) "Class II renewable energy source" means energy derived from a
- 456 trash-to-energy facility, a biomass facility that began operation before
- 457 July 1, 1998, provided the average emission rate for such facility is
- 458 equal to or less than .2 pounds of nitrogen oxides per million BTU of
- 459 heat input for the previous calendar quarter, or a run-of-the-river
- 460 hydropower facility provided such facility has a generating capacity of
- 461 not more than five megawatts, does not cause an appreciable change in
- 462 the riverflow, and began operation prior to July 1, 2003;
- 463 (8) "Class III source" means the electricity output from combined
- heat and power systems with an operating efficiency level of no less
- 465 <u>than fifty per cent that are part of customer-side distributed resources</u>
- 466 developed at commercial and industrial facilities in this state on or
- after January 1, 2006, a waste heat recovery system installed on or after
- 468 April 1, 2007, that produces electrical or thermal energy by capturing
- 469 preexisting waste heat or pressure from industrial or commercial

- 470 processes, or the electricity savings created in this state from
- 471 <u>conservation and load management programs begun on or after</u>
- 472 <u>January 1, 2006;</u>
- 473 (9) "Cogeneration technology" means the use for the generation of
- electricity of exhaust steam, waste steam, heat or resultant energy from
- an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, or the use
- 476 of exhaust steam, waste steam or heat from a thermal power plant for
- an industrial, commercial or manufacturing plant or process, but shall
- 478 <u>not include steam or heat developed solely for electrical power</u>
- 479 generation;
- 480 (10) "Combined heat and power system" means a system that
- 481 produces, from a single source, both electric power and thermal energy
- 482 used in any process that results in an aggregate reduction in electricity
- 483 <u>use;</u>
- 484 (11) "Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection"
- 485 means the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection
- 486 appointed pursuant to title 4;
- 487 (12) "Commissioner of Transportation" means the Commissioner of
- 488 Transportation appointed under section 13b-3;
- 489 (13) "Community antenna television company" includes every
- 490 person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or
- 491 controlling a community antenna television system, in, under or over
- any public street or highway, for the purpose of providing community
- 493 antenna television service for hire and shall include any municipality
- 494 which owns or operates one or more plants for the manufacture or
- 495 <u>distribution of electricity pursuant to section 7-213 or any special act</u>
- and seeks to obtain or obtains a certificate of public convenience and
- 497 <u>necessity to construct or operate a community antenna television</u>
- 498 system pursuant to section 16-331 or a certificate of cable franchise
- authority pursuant to section 16-331q. "Community antenna television
- 500 company" does not include a certified competitive video service
- 501 provider;

- 502 (14) "Community antenna television service" means (A) the one-way 503 transmission to subscribers of video programming or information that a community antenna television company makes available to all 504 505 subscribers generally, and subscriber interaction, if any, which is 506 required for the selection of such video programming or information, 507 and (B) noncable communications service. "Community antenna 508 television service" does not include video service provided by a 509 certified competitive video service provider;
- (15) "Community antenna television system" means a facility, 510 consisting of a set of closed transmission paths and associated signal 511 512 generation, reception and control equipment that is designed to 513 provide community antenna television service which includes video 514 programming and which is provided in, under or over any public 515 street or highway, for hire, to multiple subscribers within a franchise, but such term does not include (A) a facility that serves only to 516 517 retransmit the television signals of one or more television broadcast stations; (B) a facility that serves only subscribers in one or more 518 multiple unit dwellings under common ownership, control or 519 management, unless such facility is located in, under or over a public 520 521 street or highway; (C) a facility of a common carrier which is subject, in 522 whole or in part, to the provisions of Subchapter II of Chapter 5 of the 523 Communications Act of 1934, 47 USC 201 et seq., as amended, except 524 that such facility shall be considered a community antenna television system and the carrier shall be considered a public service company to 525 526 the extent such facility is used in the transmission of video 527 programming directly to subscribers; (D) a facility of an electric company which is used solely for operating its electric company 528 systems; or (E) a facility used by a certified competitive video service 529 530 provider to provide video service;
 - (16) "Consumer" means any private dwelling, boardinghouse, apartment, store, office building, institution, mechanical or manufacturing establishment or other place of business or industry to which water is supplied by a water company;

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- 535 (17) "Customer-side distributed resources" means (A) the generation 536 of electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five megawatts on the premises of a retail end user within the transmission 537 and distribution system including, but not limited to, fuel cells, 538 539 photovoltaic systems or small wind turbines, or (B) a reduction in the 540 demand for electricity on the premises of a retail end user in the 541 distribution system through methods of conservation and load 542 management, including, but not limited to, peak reduction systems 543 and demand response systems;
- 544 <u>(18) "Department" means the Department of Energy and</u> 545 Environmental Protection;
- 546 (19) "Director" means a member of the Public Utilities Regulatory
 547 Authority;
- 548 (20) "Domestic telephone company" includes any telephone 549 company which has been chartered by or organized or constituted 550 within or under the laws of this state;
 - (21) "Electric aggregator" means (A) a person, municipality or regional water authority that gathers together electric customers for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric supplier, or (B) the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority, if it gathers together electric customers for the purpose of negotiating the purchase of electric generation services from an electric supplier, provided such person, municipality or authority is not engaged in the purchase or resale of electric generation services, and provided further such customers contract for electric generation services directly with an electric supplier, and may include an electric cooperative established pursuant to chapter 597;
 - (22) "Electric company" includes, until an electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the provisions of section 16-244e, every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling poles, wires, conduits or other fixtures, along public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of electric

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- 567 current for sale for light, heat or power within this state, or engaged in 568 generating electricity to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include (A) a private power producer, as 569 570 defined in section 16-243b, (B) an exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a, (C) a municipal electric utility established 571 572 under chapter 101, (D) a municipal electric energy cooperative 573 established under chapter 101a, (E) an electric cooperative established 574 under chapter 597, or (F) any other electric utility owned, leased, 575 maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local 576 government under any general statute or any public or special act;
- 577 (23) "Electric distribution company" or "distribution company" means any person providing electric transmission or distribution 578 579 services within the state, including an electric company, subject to 580 subparagraph (F) of this subdivision, but does not include: (A) A private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b; (B) a municipal 581 582 electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a participating municipal electric utility; (C) a municipal electric energy cooperative 583 established under chapter 101a; (D) an electric cooperative established 584 585 under chapter 597; (E) any other electric utility owned, leased, 586 maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or special act; (F) after an 587 588 electric company has been unbundled in accordance with the 589 provisions of section 16-244e, a generation entity or affiliate of the 590 former electric company; or (G) an electric supplier;
- 591 (24) "Electric distribution services" means the owning, leasing, 592 maintaining, operating, managing or controlling of poles, wires, 593 conduits or other fixtures along public highways or streets for the 594 distribution of electricity, or electric distribution-related services;
- 595 (25) "Electric generation services" means electric energy, electric 596 capacity or generation-related services;
- 597 (26) "Electric supplier" means any person, including an electric 598 aggregator or participating municipal electric utility that is licensed by

- 599 the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority in accordance with section 600 16-245, that provides electric generation services to end use customers in the state using the transmission or distribution facilities of an 601 electric distribution company, regardless of whether or not such 602 603 person takes title to such generation services, but does not include: (A) 604 A municipal electric utility established under chapter 101, other than a 605 participating municipal electric utility; (B) a municipal electric energy cooperative established under chapter 101a; (C) an electric cooperative 606 established under chapter 597; (D) any other electric utility owned, 607 608 leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of 609 local government under any general statute or special act; or (E) an 610 electric distribution company in its provision of electric generation 611 services in accordance with subsection (a) or, prior to January 1, 2004, 612 subsection (c) of section 16-244c;
- 613 (27) "Electric transmission services" means electric transmission or 614 transmission-related services;
- 615 (28) "Federally mandated congestion charges" means any cost 616 approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as part of 617 New England Standard Market Design including, but not limited to, 618 locational marginal pricing, locational installed capacity payments, any 619 cost approved by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to reduce federally mandated congestion charges in accordance with section 7-620 621 233v, this section, sections 16-19ss, 16-32f, 16-50i, 16-50k, 16-50x, 16-622 243i to 16-243g, inclusive, 16-244c, 16-244e, 16-245m, 16-245n and 16-245z, and section 21 of public act 05-1 of the June special session and 623 624 reliability must run contracts;
 - (29) "Gas company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other fixtures, in public highways or streets, for the transmission or distribution of gas for sale for heat or power within this state, or engaged in the manufacture of gas to be so transmitted or distributed for such purpose, but shall not include a person manufacturing gas through the use of a biomass gasification plant provided such person

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632	does not own, lease, maintain, operate, manage or control mains, pipes
633	or other fixtures in public highways or streets, a municipal gas utility
634	established under chapter 101 or any other gas utility owned, leased,
635	maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local
636	government under any general statute or any public or special act;
637	(30) "Gas registrant" means a person registered to sell natural gas
638	pursuant to section 16-258a;
639	(31) "Generation entity or affiliate" means a corporate affiliate or, as
640	provided in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 16-244e, a
641	separate division of an electric company after unbundling has occurred
642	pursuant to section 16-244e, that provides electric generation services;
643	(32) "Grid-side distributed resources" means the generation of
644	electricity from a unit with a rating of not more than sixty-five
645	megawatts that is connected to the transmission or distribution system,
646	which units may include, but are not limited to, units used primarily to
647	generate electricity to meet peak demand;
648	(33) "Motor bus" includes any public service motor vehicle operated
649	in whole or in part upon any street or highway, by indiscriminately
650	receiving or discharging passengers, or operated on a regular route or
651	over any portion thereof, or operated between fixed termini, and any
652	public service motor vehicle operated over highways within this state
653	between points outside this state or between points within this state
654	and points outside this state;
655	(34) "Noncable communications service" means any
656	telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, and which is
657	not included in the definition of "cable service" in the Communications
658	Act of 1934, 47 USC 522, as amended. Nothing in this definition shall
659	be construed to affect service which is both authorized and preempted
660	pursuant to federal law;

electric utility established under chapter 101 or any other electric

(35) "Participating municipal electric utility" means a municipal

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- 663 utility owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by
- any unit of local government under any general statute or any public
- or special act, that is authorized by the authority in accordance with
- 666 section 16-245c to provide electric generation services to end use
- customers outside its service area, as defined in section 16-245c;
- 668 (36) "Person" means an individual, business, firm, corporation,
- 669 association, joint stock association, trust, partnership or limited
- 670 liability company;
- 671 (37) "Pipeline company" includes every person owning, leasing,
- 672 maintaining, operating, managing or controlling mains, pipes or other
- 673 fixtures through, over, across or under any public land, water,
- 674 parkways, highways, parks or public grounds for the transportation,
- 675 transmission or distribution of petroleum products for hire within this
- 676 state;
- 677 (38) "Plant" includes all real estate, buildings, tracks, pipes, mains,
- 678 poles, wires and other fixed or stationary construction and equipment,
- wherever located, used in the conduct of the business of the company;
- 680 (39) "Public service company" includes electric, electric distribution,
- 681 gas, telephone, telegraph, pipeline, sewage, water and community
- antenna television companies and holders of a certificate of cable
- 683 franchise authority, owning, leasing, maintaining, operating,
- managing or controlling plants or parts of plants or equipment, and all
- express companies having special privileges on railroads within this
- 686 state, but shall not include telegraph company functions concerning
- intrastate money order service, towns, cities, boroughs, any municipal
- corporation or department thereof, whether separately incorporated or
- 689 not, a private power producer, as defined in section 16-243b, or an
- 690 exempt wholesale generator, as defined in 15 USC 79z-5a;
- 691 (40) "Public service motor vehicle" includes all motor vehicles used
- 692 for the transportation of passengers for hire;
- 693 (41) "Railroad company" includes every person owning, leasing,

- 694 maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any railroad, or any
- 695 cars or other equipment employed thereon or in connection therewith,
- 696 for public or general use within this state;
- 697 (42) "Regional independent system operator" means the "ISO New
- 698 England, Inc.", or its successor organization as approved by the
- 699 <u>Federal Energy Regulatory Commission;</u>
- 700 (43) "Renewable fuel resources" means energy sources described in
- 701 <u>subdivisions (6) and (7) of this subsection;</u>
- 702 (44) "Sewage company" includes every person owning, leasing,
- 703 maintaining, operating, managing or controlling, for general use in any
- 704 town, city or borough, or portion thereof, in this state, sewage disposal
- 705 <u>facilities which discharge treated effluent into any waterway of this</u>
- 706 <u>state;</u>
- 707 (45) "Street railway company" includes every person owning,
- 708 leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any street
- 709 railway, or any cars or other equipment employed thereon or in
- 710 connection therewith, for public or general use within this state;
- 711 (46) "Sustainable biomass" means biomass that is cultivated and
- 712 harvested in a sustainable manner. "Sustainable biomass" does not
- 713 mean construction and demolition waste, as defined in section 22a-
- 714 208x, finished biomass products from sawmills, paper mills or stud
- 715 mills, organic refuse fuel derived separately from municipal solid
- 716 waste, or biomass from old growth timber stands, except where (A)
- 717 such biomass is used in a biomass gasification plant that received
- 718 funding prior to May 1, 2006, from the Clean Energy Fund established
- 719 pursuant to section 16-245n, or (B) the energy derived from such
- biomass is subject to a long-term power purchase contract pursuant to
- subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 16-244c entered into prior to
- May 1, 2006, (C) such biomass is used in a renewable energy facility
- 723 that is certified as a Class I renewable energy source by the authority
- 724 until such time as the authority certifies that any biomass gasification
- 725 plant, as defined in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, is

726 operational and accepting such biomass, in an amount not to exceed 727 one hundred forty thousand tons annually, is used in a renewable energy facility that was certified as a Class I renewable energy source 728 729 by the authority prior to December 31, 2007, and uses biomass, 730 including construction and demolition waste as defined in section 22a-731 208x, from a Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-reduction 732 facility that generated biomass during calendar year 2007 that was used during calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable energy 733 734 certificates, or (D) in the event there is no facility as described in subparagraph (A) or (C) of this subdivision accepting such biomass, in 735 736 an amount not to exceed one hundred forty thousand tons annually, is 737 used in one or more other renewable energy facilities certified either as 738 a Class I or Class II renewable energy source by the authority, provided such facilities use biomass, including construction and 739 740 demolition waste as defined in said section 22a-208x, from a 741 Connecticut-sited transfer station and volume-reduction facility that generated biomass during calendar year 2007 that was used during 742 calendar year 2007 to generate Class I renewable energy certificates. 743 744 Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of this 745 subdivision, the amount of biomass specified in said subparagraphs shall not apply to a biomass gasification plant, as defined in 746 747 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision;

(47) "Telecommunications company" means a person that provides telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, within the state, but shall not mean a person that provides only (A) private telecommunications service, as defined in section 16-247a, (B) the one-way transmission of video programming or other programming services to subscribers, (C) subscriber interaction, if any, which is required for the selection of such video programming or other programming services, (D) the two-way transmission of educational or instructional programming to a public or private elementary or secondary school, or a public or independent institution of higher education, as required by the department pursuant to a community antenna television company franchise agreement, or provided

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- 760 pursuant to a contract with such a school or institution which contract
- 761 <u>has been filed with the department, or (E) a combination of the services</u>
- set forth in subparagraphs (B) to (D), inclusive, of this subdivision;
- 763 (48) "Telephone company" means a telecommunications company
- 764 that provides one or more noncompetitive or emerging competitive
- services, as defined in section 16-247a;
- 766 (49) "The Connecticut Television Network" means the General
- 767 Assembly's state-wide twenty-four-hour state public affairs
- 768 programming service, separate and distinct from community access
- 769 <u>channels</u>;
- 770 (50) "Thermal energy transportation company" means any person
- authorized under any provision of the general statutes or special act to
- furnish heat or air conditioning or both, by means of steam, heated or
- chilled water or other medium, to lay and maintain mains, pipes or
- other conduits, and to erect such other fixtures necessary or convenient
- 775 in and on the streets, highways and public grounds of any
- 776 municipality to carry steam, heated or chilled water or other medium
- from such plant to the location to be served and to return the same;
- 778 (51) "Video programming" means programming provided by, or
- 779 generally considered comparable to programming provided by, a
- 780 television broadcast station;
- 781 (52) "Video service" means video programming services provided
- 782 through wireline facilities, a portion of which are located in the public
- 783 right-of-way, without regard to delivery technology, including Internet
- 784 protocol technology. "Video service" does not include any video
- 785 programming provided by a commercial mobile service provider, as
- 786 defined in 47 USC 332(d), any video programming provided as part of
- 787 community antenna television service in a franchise area as of October
- 788 1, 2007, any video programming provided as part of and via a service
- 789 that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail or
- 790 other services over the public Internet; and

- (53) "Water company" includes every person owning, leasing, maintaining, operating, managing or controlling any pond, lake, reservoir, stream, well or distributing plant or system employed for the purpose of supplying water to fifty or more consumers. A water company does not include homeowners, condominium associations providing water only to their members, homeowners associations providing water to customers at least eighty per cent of whom are members of such associations, a municipal waterworks system established under chapter 102, a district, metropolitan district, municipal district or special services district established under chapter 105, chapter 105a or any other general statute or any public or special act which is authorized to supply water, or any other waterworks system owned, leased, maintained, operated, managed or controlled by any unit of local government under any general statute or any public or special act.
- Sec. 2. Subdivision (57) of section 12-81 of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 809 (57) (a) Any Class I renewable energy source, as defined in section 810 16-1, as amended by this act, or any hydropower facility described in 811 subdivision [(27)] (7) of subsection (a) of section 16-1, as amended by 812 this act, installed for the generation of electricity for private residential 813 use or on a farm, as defined in subsection (q) of section 1-1, provided 814 such installation occurs on or after October 1, 2007, and further 815 provided such installation is for a single family dwelling, multifamily 816 dwelling consisting of two to four units or a farm, or any passive or 817 active solar water or space heating system or geothermal energy 818 resource;
- Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 12-268s of the 2012 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 822 (e) The tax imposed by this section shall not apply to any net

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kilowatt hours of electricity generated at (1) an electric generation facility in this state exclusively through the use of fuel cells or an alternative energy system, (2) a resources recovery facility, as defined in section 22a-260, or (3) customer-side distributed resources, as defined in [subdivision (40) of] subsection (a) of section 16-1, as amended by this act.

Sec. 4. Section 13a-126c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation may enter into an agreement with the owner or operator of a public service facility, as defined in section 13a-126, desiring the longitudinal use of the right-of-way of a state highway to accommodate trunkline or transmission-type utility facilities and to fix the terms, conditions and rates and charges for use of such right-of-way; provided, no such agreement shall exempt a public service facility from the provisions of chapter 277a. In the case of public service companies, as defined in [subdivision (1) of] subsection (a) of section 16-1, as amended by this act, such charges or rates shall not exceed the actual administrative, construction, operation and maintenance costs of the department incurred as a result of the public service company's use of a nonlimited access state highway. The department may estimate such charges or rates and require prepayment of such charges or rates, provided any amount in excess of the actual amount shall be refunded to the public service company.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:				
Section 1	from passage	16-1(a)		
Sec. 2	from passage	12-81(57)		
Sec. 3	from passage	12-268s(e)		
Sec. 4	from passage	13a-126c		

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 1(a)(15), the final sentence of the subdivision was designated subparagraph (E) and rewritten for internal consistency.

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